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Applicants: Andrea Susan Wulz et al.  
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 Filed: December 20, 2001  
 For: An Absorbent Article Exhibiting Improved Fluid Distribution

Docket No.: 16891  
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 Examiner: Jacqueline F. Stephens  
 Date: August 5, 2004

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## Amendment Transmittal Letter

Commissioner For Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified patent application. The non-small entity fee has been calculated in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (b), (c) and (d) as follows:

## Claims As Amended

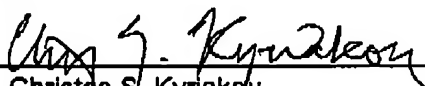
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	34	Minus	24	=	10	x 18 =	\$180.00
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**OFFICIAL****Response and Amendment**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin of page 8 of this paper.